

Next, the Examiner rejected claims 1-20 as being indefinite. Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections and requests reconsideration in view of the above amendments, which are discussed below.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite connections which result in movement of the interconnected members about respective axes relative to one another, thereby eliminating the need to characterize the connections as "rotational" or "pivotal".

Applicant has cancelled claim 7, as well as claim 15, without prejudice.

Claim 9 has been amended to recite movable interconnections, as opposed to rotatable interconnections.

Claim 17 has been amended to recite cranks which rotate about respective crank axes and have connection points disposed at a radial distance from a respective crank axis. The recited means limits displacement of the force receiving members in a first direction to twice the radial distance, and allows relatively greater displacement of the force receiving members in a second, perpendicular direction in response to user exerted force applied to the force receiving members. As a result, the force receiving members are movable through respective closed loops which vary in configuration according to the user exerted force.

Having addressed the issues raised in the subject Office Action, Applicant respectfully requests examination at this time. The Examiner is certainly welcome to contact Applicant's undersigned representative to discuss any matter regarding this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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